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The Honorable Frank R. Wolf United States House of Representatives 130 Cannon Building Washington, D. C. 20515

My dear Mr. Wolf:

The Transportation Committee and Board of Directors of the McLean Citizens Association were very much distressed to learn many weeks after the fact of the action taken by the National Capital Planning Commission October 6 to reverse its earlier stance and approve construction plans for the expansion of the Central Intelligence Agency headquarters at Langley. Nancy Bennett of your staff seemed as surprised as we at the November 30 meeting of the CIA Traffic Advisory Committee when Lilla Richards told her about it.

We had understood that the Commission would not approve site and building plans until workable off-site road improvements had been agreed upon. As you phrased it at the June 28 meeting at the Agency, "Nothing would be set in concrete" until the problems of access for 3,000 additional employees had been worked out. Instead, the NCPC gave final approval to Bid Package No. 1 on December 1, and tied the road improvements to future approval of Bid Package No. 2.

Bid Package No. 1 consists of about 12 per cent of the total project, and includes 2,400 lineal feet of new two-lane perimeter roadway, a 948-space temporary parking lot in the recreation field adjacent to the Fairbank Highway Research Station, and two new parking lots adjacent to the new parking garage. The garage will have three levels, 340' x 720', with a total of 2,368 parking spaces. Also to be "set in concrete" in the first bid package are the foundations for the new seven-story addition to the headquarters building.

We understand that there was an informal agreement made December 1 between the Commission Chairman and CIA representatives that no construction contracts would be let prior to April 1. However, according to _______ of the CIA New Building Project Office, the CIA Traffic Advisory Committee will not even see the consultant's "first cut" of alternatives for off-site road improvements before the end of January, almost two months later than originally expected.

McLean families living close to the Georgetown Pike and Dolley Madison Boulevard entrances to the site are understandably concerned that a number of options may have been foreclosed by the Commission's change of heart.

Sincerely yours,

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President, MCA

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